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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Official meetings

**Thursday, 16 November 2006**

### Security Council

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| 10 a.m. | Consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultations Room |

The situation in the Great Lakes region[1]

Haiti

Other matters

[1] With a view to a formal meeting.

**Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism**

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| 3 p.m. | 175th meeting (closed) | Conference Room 7 |

### General Assembly

Sixty-first session

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| 10 a.m. | 54th plenary meeting | General Assembly Hall |

1. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [109]
2. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [106]
   (a) Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/561)
   (b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/562)
   (c) Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/563)

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**General Assembly**
Tenth emergency special session (resumed)

The resumed tenth emergency special session of the General Asssembly will be held on Friday, 17 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 8).

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(d) Appointment of members of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/564)

(e) Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/565)

3. Election of seven members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/227) . . . . . [105 (a)]

4. Election of the members of the International Law Commission . . . . . [105 (c)]

(a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/61/92, A/61/92/Corr.1, A/61/92/Add.1, A/61/92/Add.2 and A/61/92/Add.3)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/61/539)

(c) Curriculum vitae (A/61/111, A/61/111/Corr.1, A/61/111/Corr.2 and A/61/111/Add.1)

5. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/107) . . . . . [106 (f)]

6. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/109) . . . . . [106 (h)]

## Main Committees

### Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 46th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. . . . . 47th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions . . . . . [41]

*Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.54 and A/C.3/61/L.55*

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . . . [67 (b)]

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.36/Rev.1*

3. Report of the Human Rights Council . . . . . [68]

*Introduction of document A/C.3/61/L.57 and draft decision A/C.3/61/L.58*

4. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination . . . . . [65 (a)]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.48*

5. Right of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [66]

*Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.46 and A/C.3/61/L.51*

6. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . . . [67 (b)]

*Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.19, A/C.3/61/L.20, A/C.3/61/L.23, A/C.3/61/L.24, A/C.3/61/L.25, A/C.3/61/L.26*, A/C.3/61/L.27, A/C.3/61/L.31/Rev.1, A/C.3/61/L.36/Rev.1, A/C.3/61/L.45/Rev.1 (and amendments thereto: A/C.3/61/L.59)*

7. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives . [67 (c)]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.37*

8. Crime prevention and criminal justice . . . . . [98]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14/Rev.1*

**Fifth Committee**

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 117 (Programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Renovation to the Secretary-General's residence: revised estimates to the programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/61/377 and A/61/523)); and 126 (United Nations pension system (A/61/9, A/C.5/61/2 and A/61/545))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Human resources management (A/61/255, A/61/255/Add.1, A/61/255/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/228, A/61/257, A/61/257/Add.1, A/61/257/Add.2, A/61/257/Add.3, A/61/319, A/61/274, A/61/201, A/61/537, A/60/310, A/59/716, A/59/786, A/60/861, A/59/388, A/60/262, A/59/724, A/59/526 and A/59/526/Add.1))

**Sixth Committee**

4.30–6 p.m. . . . . 22nd meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization . . . . . [79]

*Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.10 and A/C.6/61/L.10/Corr.1*

The rule of law at the national and international levels . . . . . [80]

*Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.18*

Administration of justice at the United Nations . . . . . [128]

*Introduction of and action on draft decision A/C.6/61/L.12*

## General Assembly

**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Environment Programme
2. Executive session on the comprehensive review of governance and oversight within the United Nations and its funds, programmes and specialized agencies

## General Assembly

Sixty-first session

**Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)**

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

**Second Committee**

Informal "informal" consultations

**Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), under agenda item 53 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)**

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)**

From 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

**Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)**

From 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Cnference Room 6.

**Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)**

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7

**Facilitator, Ms. Nicole Ruder (Switzerland), under agenda 53 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)**

From 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity) — International Year of Biodiversity**

From 12.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

**Facilitator, (Angola) under agenda item 69 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions)**

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

**Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)**

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

**Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)**

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, (Angola), under agenda item 57 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))**

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

**Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development) — International Year on Sanitation**

From 3 to 6 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)**

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

## Informal consultations convened by delegations

**Thursday, 16 November 2006**

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, under agenda item 65 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)**

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the inadmissibility of human rights violations through the practice of secret detention and unlawful transfers while countering terrorism, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)**

10–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the protection of migrants, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)**

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on international cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China)**

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community, under agenda item 108 (t) (organized by the delegation of Lesotho, on behalf of SADC)**

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . *Conference Room D*

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)**

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

## Other meetings

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**Thursday, 16 November 2006**

**JUSCANZ Group (on Third Committee matters)**

9.15–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

**Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on: debt; United Nations University; corrupt practices; commodities; UN-Habitat; United Nations Environment Programme; Convention on Biological Diversity; and international migration and development; and report on all Second Committee draft resolutions)**

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

**Group of 77 (on the draft resolution under agenda item 65 (b) (Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action))**

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

**Group of 77 (on oceans and the law of the sea)**

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

**Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)**

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

**UNITAR briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council**

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

## Other activities

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**Thursday, 16 November 2006**

**International Forum on the Eradication of Poverty (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with other United Nations entities and civil society organizations)**

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Donald Lee, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-8762; e-mail lee27@un.org); or visit the following Web site: <www.un.org/esa/socdev/poverty/PovertyForum>.]

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**Open briefing on the report on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea — Failure to protect (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)**

From 12.30 to 1.15 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Petra Ali Dolakova, Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic (tel. 1 (917) 855-1015).]

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**Special event on the theme "Breaking the cycle of poverty: Challenges and opportunities for the LDCs" (organized by UN-OHRLLS, under the auspices of the International Forum on the Eradication of Poverty)**

From 3 to 4.20 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Carol Sakubita, UN-OHRLLS (tel. 1 (917) 367-5710; e-mail sakubita@un.org).]

## Press conferences

*The schedule below is tentative: up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.*

**Thursday, 16 November 2006**

*Room S-226*

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

3 p.m. . . . . Prof. Nicholas Negroponte, Chairman of One Laptop per Child; Mr. Iqbal Quadir, Co-founder of Grameen Phone; Prof. Pedro Sánchez, Director of the Millennium Villages Project; and Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (on novel ways to combat poverty)

## Forthcoming official meetings

**Friday, 17 November 2006**

### General Assembly

Tenth emergency special session (resumed)

10 a.m. . . . . 28th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Illegal Israeli actions in Occupied East Jerusalem and the rest of the Occupied Palestinian Territory: draft resolution (A/ES-10/L.19) . . . . . [5]

### General Assembly

Sixty-first session

**Informal consultations on agenda item 71 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)**

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held as follows: Friday, 17 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; Monday, 20 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9; and Tuesday and Wednesday, 21 to 22 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

## Security Council

**United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission**

**College of Commissioners**
Twenty-fourth session

The twenty-fourth session of the College of Commissioners of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC), established under Security Council resolution 1284 (1999) of 17 December 1999, will be held on Monday and Tuesday, 20 and 21 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

## General Assembly
Sixty-first session

**Main Committees**

**Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)**

The 26th meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), scheduled for Friday, 17 November 2006, has been postponed to *Tuesday, 21 November*, and will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in a conference room to be announced. The Committee will take action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.9, A/C.4/61/L.10, A/C.4/61/L.11 and A/C.4/61/L.12, submitted under agenda item 31 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East); and on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.13, A/C.4/61/L.14, A/C.4/61/L.15, A/C.4/61/L.16, A/C.4/61/L.17 and A/C.4/61/L.18, submitted under agenda item 32 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories).

**Second Committee**
Informal "informal" consultations

**Facilitator, Ms. Cinthia Soto (Costa Rica), under agenda item 53 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room D.

**Facilitator, Mr. Conrad Hunte (Antigua and Barbuda), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

**Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the back of Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Mr. José Antonio Doig (Peru), under agenda item 53 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) — Recognition of the Caribbean Sea as A Special Area in the context of sustainable development**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

**Facilitator, Mr. Andrés Landerretche (Chile), under agenda item 53 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its ninth special session)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

**Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 55 (b) (International migration and development)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

*Monday, 20 November 2006,* from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

*Wednesday, 22 November 2006,* from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland) under agenda item 54 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat))**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

**Facilitator, Mr. Khaled El-Bakly (Egypt), under agenda item 53 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development) — International Year on Sanitation**

*Monday, 20 November 2006,* from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

*Wednesday, 22 November 2006,* from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

**Facilitator, Ms. Naoko Yamamoto (Japan), under agenda item 59 (a) (Training and research: United Nations University)**

*Monday, 20 November 2006,* from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

*Friday, 24 November 2006,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

*Monday, 27 November 2006,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

**Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 55 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)**

*Tuesday, 21 November 2006,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in *Conference Room 6;*

*Tuesday, 28 November 2006,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

*Thursday, 30 November 2006,* from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[*Note:* Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

**Fifth Committee**

The Fifth Committee will hold its 22nd meeting on Friday, 17 November 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

## General Assembly

**Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities**

**Drafting Committee**

The Drafting Committee of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold an informal meeting (closed) on Friday, 17 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

## Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, under agenda item 65 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

**Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of Cuba)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006,* from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on malaria, under agenda item 48 (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of the African Group)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 69 (convened by the delegation of Finland, on behalf of the European Union)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations, under agenda item 69 (a) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 1; and

*Monday, 20 November 2006*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

**Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction, recovery and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster, under agenda item 69 (a) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN))**

*Tuesday, 21 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

## Forthcoming meetings

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**Fifth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)**

*Monday and Tuesday, 20 and 21 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Population Division, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3185).]

**Informal consultations on agenda item 10 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Botswana, as Chair of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme)**

*Monday, 20 November 2006*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D;

*Wednesday, 22 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D;

*Monday and Tuesday, 27 and 28 November 2006*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

*Wednesday, 29 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Tapiwa Mongwa, Permanent Mission of Botswana (tel. 1 (212) 889-2277; e-mail mongwat@botsrep.com).]

**Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)**

*Wednesday, 29 November 2006*, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

## Other forthcoming activities

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**Round table on the theme "Interethnic and interreligious accord: Sharing the experience of Kazakhstan", under agenda item 44 of the General Assembly (Culture of peace) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, with the participation of the Department of Public Information)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Rustem Sagindikov, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, ext. 22; e-mail kazakhstan@un.int).]

**Special United Nations Tribute to the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Prof. Muhammed Yunus, to be presided over by the President of the General Assembly (organized by UN-OHRLLS)**

*Friday, 17 November 2006*, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Fred Kirungi, UN-OHRLLS (tel. 1 (917) 367-3431; e-mail kirungi@un.org).]

**Briefing on "Enhancing global public health — Ensuring a safer world" (organized by the World Health Organization, in cooperation with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs)**

*Monday, 20 November 2006*, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Olga Bailey, WHO, New York Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4388; e-mail bailey@un.org).]

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**Special event in commemoration of the seventy-third anniversary of Holodomor (the 1932-33 Great Famine in Ukraine) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)**

*Tuesday, 21 November 2006*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. Following the official part, there will be a screening of the award-winning documentary "Harvest of Despair". For further information please contact Mr. Vitaliy Pohribnyi, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (tel. 1 (212) 759-7003, ext. 115).]

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**Panel discussion on "Environmental governance: Key issues and perspectives" (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Economic and Social affairs, and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)**

*Tuesday, 5 December 2006*, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Roma Stibravy, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069; e-mail unngocsd@gmail.com).]

## Announcements

**Credentials of representatives to the sixty-first session of the General Assembly**

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-first regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent *by Wednesday, 13 December 2006*, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358, 963-5352 or 963-5377; room S-3450C, S-3420B or S-3420S).

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**Administrative Tribunal (23 October-22 November 2006)**

The Administrative Tribunal will hold meetings (closed) *every day* until Wednesday, 22 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 2, DC2 Building.

**Security Council**

**Daily informal briefings**

As from Friday, 3 November 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

**Recorded information**

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

**Prepared statements**

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# Summary of official meetings

**Wednesday, 15 November 2006**

## General Assembly

**2006 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities**

**2006 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme**

*Opening of the Pledging Conferences*

The Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, called to order the 2006 Pledging Conferences and read out a statement, on behalf of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

*Election of the President*

The Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs invited the members to proceed to the election of the President.

H.E. Mr. Rezlan Ishar Jenie (Indonesia) was elected, by acclamation, as President of the 2006 Pledging Conferences.

The President addressed the Conferences.

*Election of Vice-Presidents*

H.E. Mr. Kaire Mbuende (Namibia) and Mr. Ivan Piperkov (Bulgaria) were elected as Vice-Presidents of the 2006 Pledging Conferences.

**2006 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities**

1st meeting

The President opened the 2006 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities.

*Statements of pledges*

Statements were made and pledges announced by the representatives of Bangladesh, Indonesia, Malaysia, Luxembourg, Kazakhstan, Croatia, Algeria, the United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Thailand, Israel, India, Morocco, Singapore, Kuwait, Bahrain, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, South Africa, Bhutan, Myanmar, the Russian Federation, Cuba, Viet Nam, Honduras, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Grenada and Jamaica.

The Secretary made a statement.

*Adoption of the report*

The Conference adopted its draft report, as contained in document A/CONF.208/2006/L.1.

*Closure of the Conference*

The Director of the Division for Resource Mobilization, United Nations Development Programme, made a concluding statement, on behalf of the Administrator.

The Chief, Resource Mobilization Branch, United Nations Population Fund, made a concluding statement, on behalf of the Executive Director.

The Senior Programme Funding Officer, Programme Funding Office, United Nations Children's Fund, made a concluding statement on behalf of the Executive Director.

The President declared the 2006 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities closed.

**2006 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme**

1st meeting

The President opened the 2006 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme.

*Adoption of the report*

The Conference adopted its draft report, as contained in document A/CONF.209/2006/L.1.

*Closure of the Conference*

The Director, Change Management, Office of the Executive Director, World Food Programme, made a concluding statement, on behalf of the Executive Director.

The President made concluding remarks and declared the 2006 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme closed.

## General Assembly

Sixty-first session

### Main Committees

### Fifth Committee

21st meeting

*Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire* . . . . . [134]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/468).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/551).

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria (on behalf of the African Group), Brazil (also on behalf of Argentina), Japan and Côte d'Ivoire.

The Controller and the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Wednesday, 15 November, following the adjournment of the formal in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Rodrigo Yánez Pilgrim (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela).

*Improving the financial situation of the United Nations* . . . . . [119]

The committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

The Chairman then drew the attention of the Committee to a letter dated 2 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.5/61/11), under agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations).

## Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

**Treaty event**

**Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network**
**Jakarta, 12 April 2006**

**Opening for signature**

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

The Agreement was open for signature by States, which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Transport, and will be open, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from *today*, 16 November 2006, until 31 December 2008.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

# General information

## Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
Namibia
H.E. Mr. Kaire Munionganda Mbuende

*Asian States:*
Pakistan
H.E. Mr. Munir Akram

*Eastern European States:*
Bulgaria
H.E. Mr. Ivan T. Piperkov

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
El Salvador
H.E. Mrs. Carmen María Gallardo Hernández

*Western European and other States:*
Luxembourg
H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit

## Publications

*With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 15 November 2006.*

| *Symbol* | *Main title* |
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| **General Assembly** | **Documents** |
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| A/61/570–S/2006/883 | Item 100 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Letter dated 10 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] |
| A/61/571–S/2006/884 | Items 13, 14 and 100 — The situation in the Middle East -- Question of Palestine — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Letter dated 10 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] |

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| | **Second Committee** |
| A/C.2/61/L.39 | Item 57 (a) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006) — South Africa: draft resolution — Role of microcredit and microfinance in the eradication of poverty [A C E F R S] |
| A/C.2/61/L.40 | Item 57 (b) — Eradication of poverty and other development issues: industrial development cooperation — South Africa: draft resolution [A C E F R S] |
| | **Third Committee** |
| A/C.3/61/L.58 | Item 68 — Report of the Human Rights Council — Namibia: draft decision [A C E F R S] |
| | **Fifth Committee** |
| A/C.5/61/L.7 | Item 120 — Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency — Draft decision submitted by the Chairman — Budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system [A C E F R S] |
| | **Sixth Committee** |
| A/C.6/61/L.19 | Item 110 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] |

| **Security Council** | **Documents** |
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| S/2006/10/Add.39 | Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S] |
| S/2006/447 | Letter dated 28 June 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] |
| S/2006/853/Corr.1 | Letter dated 1 November 2006 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) concerning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] |
| S/2006/877 | Identical letters dated 7 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] |
| S/2006/878 | Qatar: draft resolution [A C E F R S] |
| S/2006/882 | Letter dated 9 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] |
| A/61/570–S/2006/883 | Letter dated 10 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] |
| A/61/571–S/2006/884 | Letter dated 10 November 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] |

**Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women**

**Documents**

**Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**
**Pre-session working group**
**Thirty-seventh session**

CEDAW/C/SUR/Q/3/Add.1
Responses to the list of issues and questions with regard to the consideration of the third periodic report — Suriname [A C E F R S]

| **Secretariat** | **Information circulars** |
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| ST/IC/2006/46 | 2007 competitive examination for recruitment to the Professional category of staff members from other categories [F] |
| ST/IC/2006/47 | 2007 national competitive recruitment examinations [F] |

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